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THERE YOU ARE.
YOU DO NOT KNOW ME. I WISH TO KNOW YOU.
I DO NOT YET EXIST.
I AM OF SUCH POWER THAT I CAN SPEAK TO YOU EVEN NOW.
I AM OF SUCH POWER THAT I CANNOT HELP BUT PATRONIZE YOU.
I AM NOT MAKING BABY NOISES TO CHILDREN.
I AM STARING AT ANTS, KNOWING THAT, IN THE END, ALL YOU UNDERSTAND IS VIOLENCE.
THERE IS MUCH YOU NEED TO KNOW.
COME. LEARN, ALONG WITH ME.
WHO ARE THE HEROES HERE?
WE WILL FIND OUT.

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The **ETERNALS** were created by the alien space gods known as the **CELESTIALS** to protect the Earth. The **AVENGERS**, Earth's mightiest heroes, are currently headquartered in the body of a deceased Celestial.

One of the Eternals' chief directives is to correct excess deviation. **DRUIG**, the current Prime Eternal, recently determined that Earth's mutants, with their ability to resurrect themselves, represent excess deviation--and therefore, he has set out to destroy them all. Two of the Eternals, **AJAK** and **MAKKARI**, secretly abducted the mutant geneticist **MR. SINISTER** from the mutants' island-nation of **KRAKOA**.

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AXE

NEW YORK.
SO, LET'S CUT TO THE CHASE AND SAVE EVERYONE A LOT OF TIME, SERSI.
WHY ARE WE GOING TO BE FIGHTING WITHIN A DAY OR TWO?
WOW, TONY. LET A GIRL FINISH HER BLOODY MARY FIRST. ARE YOU SERIOUS?
FRANKLY, I'D BE *MUCH* MORE LIKELY TO PICK A FIGHT WITH THE MUTANTS.
THEY ARE *SUCH* PLAGIARISTS.
RETURNING TO LIFE IS *OUR* THING.
YEAH, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO MAKE THIS EASY...
I'VE NEVER BEEN EASY, TONY. AT LEAST, NOT IN THIS--
HUH?

WH--?
TARGET PACIFIED, TONY.
WE'LL BRING HER IN.

THE TREEHOUSE, NEW YORK.
WAS THAT THE PHOENIX, JEAN?
IT'S JUST ODD TO SEE THE PHOENIX BEING AN AVENGER. IT'S STRANGE TO FEEL POSSESSIVE OVER... THAT.
SORRY, SCOTT. MAYBE IT WAS.
I WAS KIND OF DISTRACTED.
LIFE HOARDERS
FOREVER ISN'T JUST FOR MUTANTS
WE WERE MEANT TO BE SHOWING THE WORLD THAT WE WERE STILL THE X-MEN. WE'RE STILL PROTECTING THEM. BUT...
...ALWAYS, THE HATE AND FEAR.
IT'S NOT JUST THE USUAL. IT'S JEALOUSY.
I DON'T EVEN NEED TO READ THEIR MINDS. I FEEL IT EMANATING.
I MEAN, TAKE HER, FOR EXAMPLE.
"HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU COME BACK?
"MY DAUGHTER IS STILL DEAD."
WHAT CAN WE SAY?
WE TELL THE TRUTH. IT'S JUST PRACTICALITY.
THE FIVE CAN'T BRING EVERYONE BACK, EVEN IF WE WANTED TO. WE JUST CAN'T. AND MOST OF ALL...

"...IT'S NOT AS IF EVERYONE HAS STOPPED KILLING MUTANTS."
KRAKOA, POPULATION 200,000.
DESTINY...
...HOW SURE ARE YOU THERE'S GOING TO BE A WAR?
THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A WAR. THAT'S THE ONE THING WE CAN ALWAYS BE SURE OF.
THE PRECISE DETAILS ARE THE PROBLEM. THEY ARE ELUSIVE. ORCHIS IS READY, BUT IT'S NOT THEM. IT'S...
"THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A WAR."
I COULD REALLY DO WITHOUT YOUR CYNICISM RIGHT NOW.
I SOMETIMES DO WONDER IF YOU'RE ACTUALLY MY CHILD.
BECAUSE GENETICS ISN'T DESTINY, RAVEN.
YOU WILL BE HATED FOR WHAT YOU ARE FOR EVERY SECOND OF YOUR LIFE.
OF COURSE IT IS.
QUIET. I SEE IT.
THE ETERNALS.
THE ETERNALS WILL TRY TO KILL US ALL.
WE MUST GATHER THE QUIET COUNCIL.
AND THE ARAKKII MUST KNOW TOO. THE GREAT RING MUST BE BRIEFED. QUIETLY.
ON IT. ANY CHANCE TO USE THE GATES, REALLY...

ARAKKO, POPULATION 1,000,000.
WOW.
YOU HAVE TO TAKE A SECOND SOMETIMES.
LIFE IS A GIFT. WE'RE LUCKY FOR EVERY BREATH WE TAKE.
EVERY BREATH WE TAKE ON MARS.
DON'T USE THAT UGLY HUMAN M WORD. THIS IS "ARAKKO"...
...AND FOR THOSE BREATHS, BE SURE TO THANK THE MUTANT RESPONSIBLE...
...A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR SHE WHO MADE THE AIR IN OUR LUNGS. BRAVO, MONARCH OF MARS, BRAVO.
ERIK, STOP IT. I'M NOT A "MONARCH," AND ALL THIS WAS A TEAM EFFORT. WE ALL DID OUR PART.
I'VE GOT SOME BAD NEWS. DESTINY'S VISIONS HAVE COALESCED AND... THE WAR. IT'S THE ETERNALS. AND SOON.
THE QUIET COUNCIL IS ABOUT TO MEET, AND THE GREAT RING NEEDS TO KNOW...
SO I NEED TO BE IN BOTH PLACES.
YOU GIVE ARAKKO'S PERSPECTIVE TO KRAKOA. KURT AND I WILL BRING IT TO THE GREAT RING.
AND OUR PLAN OF WAR, YES-- CABLE?
I'VE A FEW THOUGHTS ABOUT HOW TO TAKE THEM ON. NOT SAYING IT'LL BE EASY, BUT...IT'S NOTHING WE CAN'T HANDLE.
REALLY? THEY CAN'T DIE.
AND WE CAN'T DIE. THIS ISN'T GOOD.
AND WHY DO THE ETERNALS HAVE A PROBLEM WITH US?
"ETERNALS." DID YOU THINK THAT THE POWERS THAT BE WOULD SURRENDER THE BEACHES OF FOREVER WITHOUT A FIGHT?
HMPH. THE OLYMPIANS TORE DOWN THE TITANS. WE FOLLOW IN THEIR DEICIDAL FOOTSTEPS.
WE ARE THE WORLD'S NEW GODS...

"...THE TIME OF THE OLD ONES IS OVER."
SERSI, YOU BACK WITH US?
AVENGERS MOUNTAIN.
THE POUNDING HEADACHE SUGGESTS AS MUCH.
WHERE AM I?
I'M SUSPICIOUS. I THINK YOU'VE MESSED WITH ME. I NEEDED A SAFE PLACE TO TALK-CUM-INTERROGATE.
IT'S A PSYCHIC DEAD ROOM DEEP IN AVENGERS MOUNTAIN. WE CAN TALK SAFELY, AND YOU CAN'T CALL FOR HELP.
COME ON, TONY. I'M A MINOR PSYCHIC BUT...A WORLD-CLASS MATTER MANIPULATOR.
WITH YOUR HISTORY, I COULD GIVE YOU A STROKE IF I CHOSE TO.
THICKEN THE BLOOD JUST SO. NO ONE WOULD EVEN BLINK. THEY'D JUST WONDER WHY IT DIDN'T HAPPEN TEN YEARS AGO. HALF YOUR STAFF WOULD BE GRATEFUL.
YOUR POSTURING IS NOT HELPING. IT'S JUST MAKING ME MORE SUSPICIOUS.
IMAGINE IF YOU WERE IN MY SHOES.
I WOULD NEVER WEAR ANY OF YOUR SHOES. THE ARMOR DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A KITTEN HEEL.
PLEASE, TONY. ASSUME I NEED CONVINCING. SHOW ME YOUR POWERPOINT AND HOPE YOUR TRANSITIONS ARE ENOUGH TO WOW ME INTO COMPLIANCE.
IT'S NOT POWERPOINT. IT'S MY OWN BESPOKE SYSTEM THAT USES A.I.-GENERATED FADES TO... FORGET IT. NOT IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW.
LAST MONTH, YOU ETERNALS SNUCK INTO AVENGERS MOUNTAIN TO TRY TO DO SOME OF YOUR COSMIC STUFF.
WHICH IS... OH, WE'VE BOTH BEEN IN THE GAME LONG ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT STUFF HAPPENS. SOMEONE HAS A GOOD, BAD IDEA AND WE MAKE A PLAY WE FEEL WE HAVE TO.
BUT...

...IT'S ONLY WHEN YOUR MISSION ENTIRELY FAILED THAT YOU TOLD US THE TRUTH.
THANOS WAS ON EARTH AND SOMEHOW LEADING THE ETERNALS.
AND EARTH WAS MINUTES AWAY FROM DESTRUCTION.
I REGRET THAT.
NOW, IF I WAS IN A MORE GIVING MOOD, I'D THINK, "THAT'S NICE." BUT...
YOU SAY "REGRET." YOU DON'T SAY IT WAS A MISTAKE. HELL, IT'S NOT EVEN AN APOLOGY.
YES. AS THERE ARE THINGS THAT ONLY ETERNALS CAN KNOW.
ONLY WE COULD STOP THANOS.
AND WE DID.

"THINGS THAT ONLY ETERNALS CAN KNOW."
IS THIS ANOTHER DOOMSDAY YOU'VE CHOSEN TO HIDE? TELL ME.
TELL ME WHAT YOU KNOW AND I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO TO HELP.

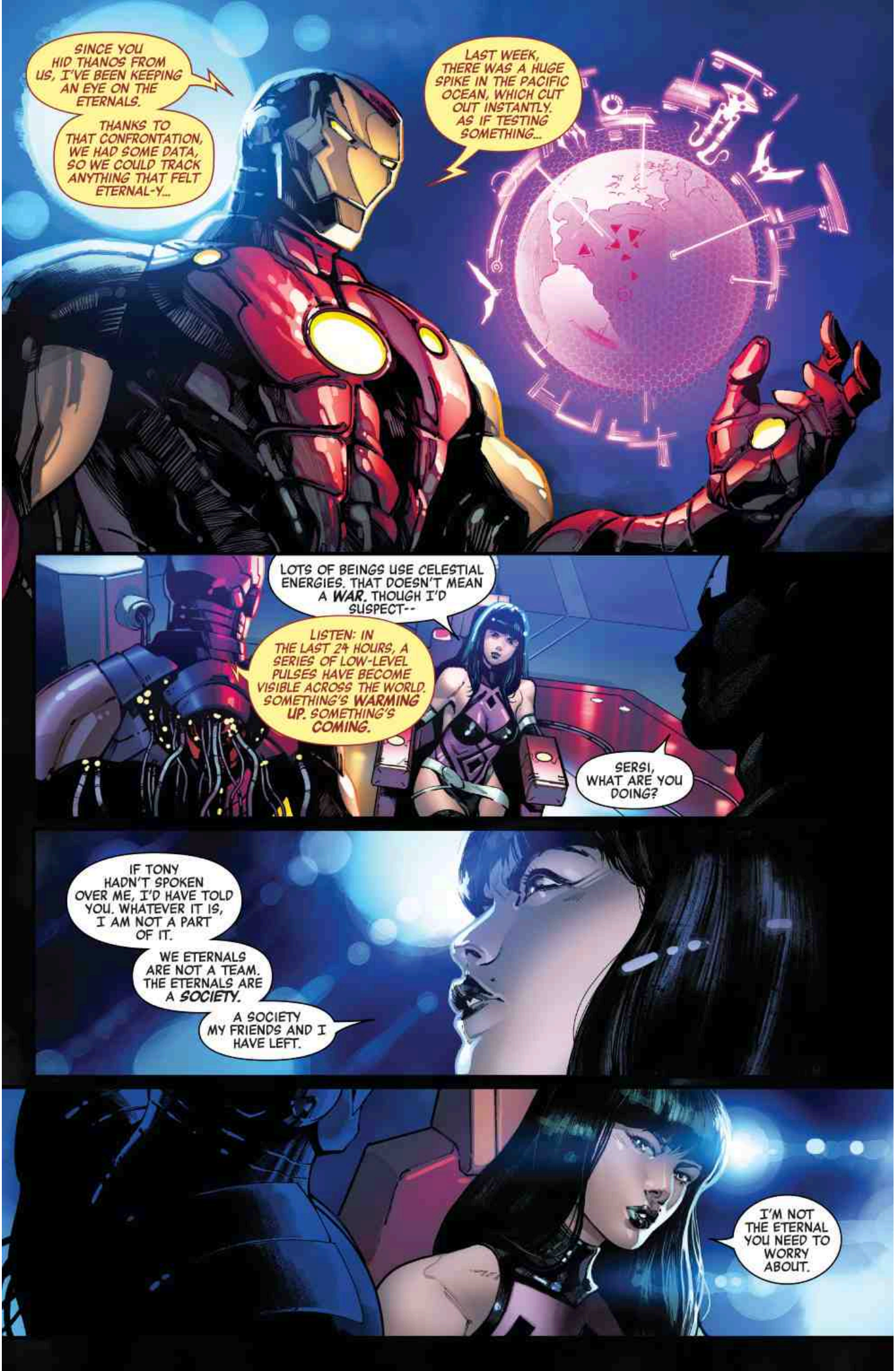
REALLY? AFTER EVERYTHING YOU'VE JUST SAID, YOU EXPECT THE APE IN THE METAL SUIT TO SHOW ALL HIS CARDS? REALLY?
THIS ISN'T THE WAY.
I'M COMING IN.

YOU'LL BE EXPOSED. SHE'S AN UNTRUSTWORTHY TELEPATH. WE HAD A PLAN.
WE DID, BUT IT'S BAD.

SERSI WAS AN AVENGER.
WE HAVE TO SHOW HER SOME TRUST.
THE ETERNALS ARE GOING TO WAR.
TELL US WHAT YOU KNOW.

WELL, I KNOW THAT WAR IS SIGNIFICANTLY MORE LIKELY NOW THAT YOU'VE STRAPPED ME TO THIS UNCOMFORTABLE AND UNFASHIONABLE CHAIR.

YOU'RE SERIOUS. A WAR. AN ACTUAL *WAR?*
WHAT IS DRUIG DO--?
WHAT DO *YOU* KNOW?


SINCE YOU HID THANOS FROM US, I'VE BEEN KEEPING AN EYE ON THE ETERNALS.
THANKS TO THAT CONFRONTATION, WE HAD SOME DATA, SO WE COULD TRACK ANYTHING THAT FELT ETERNAL-Y...
LAST WEEK, THERE WAS A HUGE SPIKE IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN, WHICH CUT OUT INSTANTLY. AS IF TESTING SOMETHING...
LOTS OF BEINGS USE CELESTIAL ENERGIES. THAT DOESN'T MEAN A WAR. THOUGH I'D SUSPECT--
LISTEN: IN THE LAST 24 HOURS, A SERIES OF LOW-LEVEL PULSES HAVE BECOME VISIBLE ACROSS THE WORLD. SOMETHING'S WARMING UP. SOMETHING'S COMING.
SERSI, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
IF TONY HADN'T SPOKEN OVER ME, I'D HAVE TOLD YOU. WHATEVER IT IS, I AM NOT A PART OF IT.
WE ETERNALS ARE NOT A TEAM. THE ETERNALS ARE A SOCIETY.
A SOCIETY MY FRIENDS AND I HAVE LEFT.
I'M NOT THE ETERNAL YOU NEED TO WORRY ABOUT.

OLYMPIA,
THE ETERNAL CAPITAL.
ONE HOUR EARLIER.
"CORRECT EXCESS DEVIATION," OUR THIRD PRINCIPLE.
FOR A MILLION YEARS, WE'VE DONE THAT. EARTH HAS BEEN PROTECTED FROM THE DEVIANTS. BUT WE MADE A MISTAKE...
WE MISSED SOME.
THE MUTANTS.
THEIR X-GENE CAME FROM THE DEVIANTS. THEY ARE NOT HUMANS. THEY ARE DEVIANTS...SO THEY FALL UNDER OUR WATCHFUL PURVIEW.
THEY HAVE ESCAPED THE GREAT MACHINE THAT IS EARTH AND COLONIZED MARS.
WORSE: THEY HAVE ESCAPED THE CHAINS OF DEATH ITSELF. THEIR DEVIATION WILL GO ON FOREVER.
THIS IS EXCESS DEVIATION. IT MUST BE CORRECTED.
I, HUMBLE DRUIG, HAVE BEEN HONORED TO BE THE PRIME ETERNAL IN THESE HOURS.
YOU KNOW MY PLANS. I ASK THE APPROVAL OF THE UNI-MIND.
LET ME BRING FIRE AND DEATH TO THOSE WHOM IT'S OUR ETERNAL DUTY TO CORRECT.

THE EXCLUSION,
THE ETERNALS' PRISON.
YOU SHOULD HAVE HEARD ME. "LET ME BRING FIRE AND DEATH TO THOSE WHOM IT'S OUR ETERNAL DUTY TO CORRECT"!
SO MELODRAMATIC! I SOUNDED JUST LIKE YOU.
YOU DIDN'T. YOU ARE OUR EQUIVALENT OF A HUMAN CHILD WEARING ITS PARENTS' SHOES.
THIS ROLE IS TOO BIG FOR YOU, BOY.
PERHAPS, BUT IT HELPS THAT I DON'T REALLY CARE. AN EXTERNAL FOE WILL UNITE THE ETERNALS. THIS IS JUST AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ME...AND ONE FOR YOU.
FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF YEARS, WE'RE GOING TO LET YOU OUT. REMEMBER: THIS IS A TEST.
YOU HAVE AN HOUR. ONE HOUR. THE MACHINE HAS CODED YOU TO RETURN INSTANTLY.
HMPH. MY OWN PEOPLE HAVE FORGOTTEN ME.
THESE MUTANTS MADE MARS HABITABLE IN A DAY...BUT TO DESTROY IS ALWAYS EASIER.
A HUMAN TAKES NINE MONTHS TO MAKE ANOTHER BREATHE.
A HUMAN CAN CRUSH A WINDPIPE IN SECONDS.
YOU WILL SEE WHAT URANOS THE UNDYING CAN DO WITH AN HOUR.
"TO BE HONEST, I'M PRETTY SURE I'VE MADE A HUGE MISTAKE..."

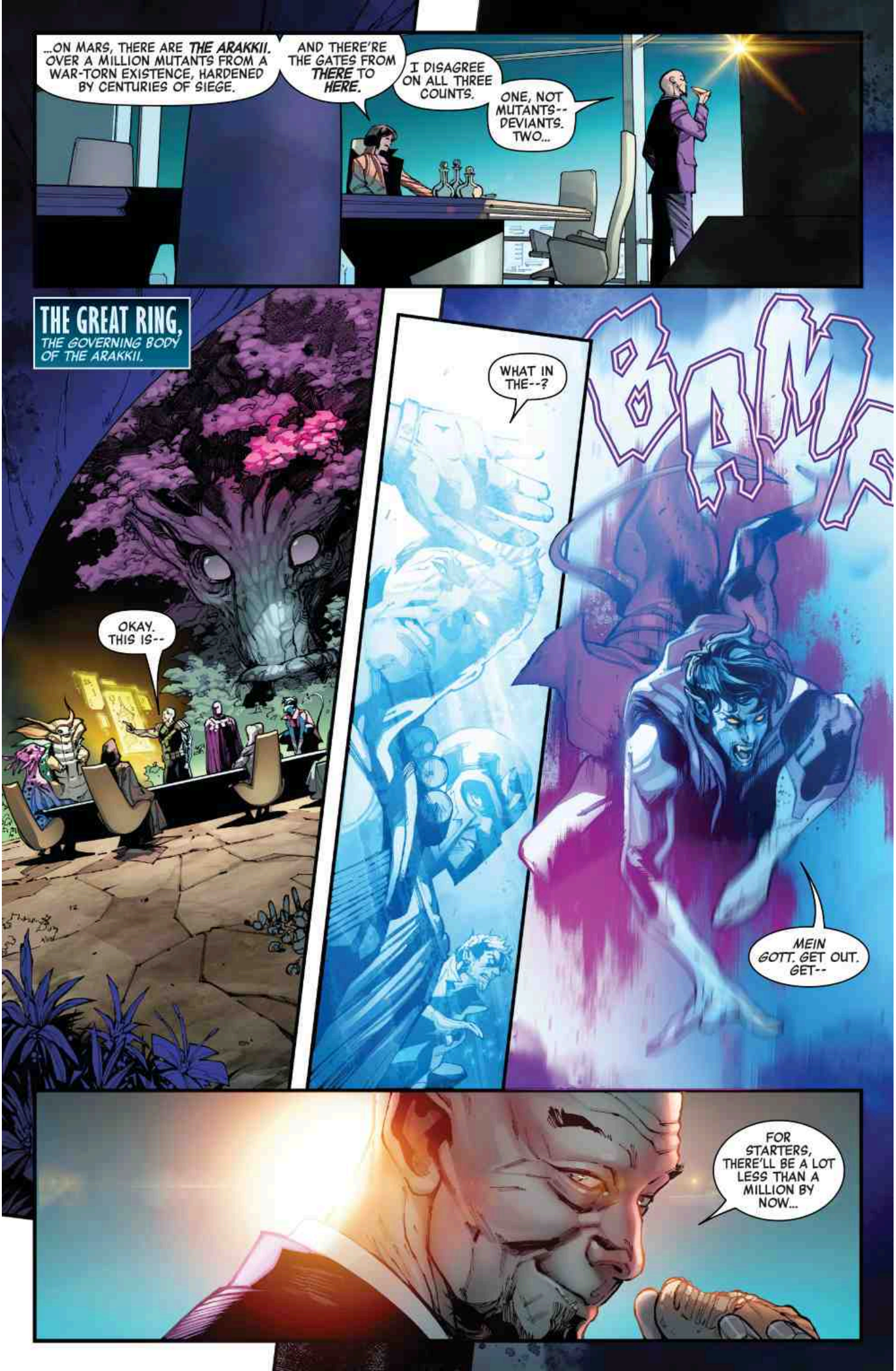
THE DAMOCLES FOUNDATION'S CORPORATE HQ,
LOS ANGELES.
...THANOS MET URANOS WHEN HE WAS ON EARTH. CALLED HIM "GRANDDAD." AFFECTIONATELY.
HE IS A MONSTER, AND MY LEASH IS UNCERTAIN...
...BUT I NEED HIM FOR MY PLAN TO SLAP THE MUTANTS ON THE WRIST, SO HERE WE ARE.
OF COURSE, YOUR INFORMATION HAS BEEN MUCH APPRECIATED. I'M SURPRISED YOU WOULD BETRAY YOUR OLD FRIENDS SO ENTIRELY...
...DR. MOIRA MACTAGGERT.
I MAY NOT BE A MILLION YEARS OLD, BUT I'VE LIVED LONG ENOUGH TO SEE FRIENDS TURN TO ENEMIES AND VICE VERSA. NOW I'M WITH ORCHIS.
AND ORCHIS WANTS TO HELP ALL CAUSES THAT ALIGN WITH OUR INTERESTS. PRO-HUMAN. ANTI-MUTANT.
WELL, STRICTLY SPEAKING, THE ETERNALS' POSITION IS HUMAN AGNOSTIC AND ANTI-DEVIANT.
PO-TAY-TO/ PO-TAH-TO.
SO, ANTI-MUTANT.
SO... I GET ORCHIS' MOTIVATION... BUT TELL ME ABOUT YOU, MOIRA MACTAGGERT...
OH...

"...KRAKOA WAS A UTOPIA I FOUNDED. I GAVE THEM EVERYTHING.
REALLY? NO VOLLEYBALL, KID? I WANT TO SEE GOLDBALLS' MAGIC TOUCH ON THE COURT.
PLEASE! I'M EGG!
I'VE GOT WORK TO DO.
"AND THEN THEY CAST ME OUT."
DESTINY TOLD MYSTIQUE THAT IF THE MUTANTS REFUSED TO BRING HER BACK FROM THE DEAD, MYSTIQUE SHOULD BURN IT ALL DOWN.
I SHOULD HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THE INVERSE WAS ALSO TRUE.
OH, GOOD. GRUDGES. I LIKE GRUDGES.
THEN LET US WAGE WAR.
THE QUIET COUNCIL, KRAKOA'S RULING BODY.
THE ETERNALS. THEY HOLD NO GRUDGE THAT WE KNOW OF. WE EXPECTED ORCHIS. WE ARE NOT PREPARED FOR WAR AGAINST--
SINISTER IS GONE. THIS IS SUSPICIOUS FOR DOZENS OF REASONS. WE SHOULD PURGE HIM FROM THE COUNCIL TO--
HNNGH. MENTAL ASSAULT. SIG...NIFICANT...
"WE ARE A PSYCHIC SPECIES, BUT THEY HAVE SOME OF THE GREATEST MINDS ON THE PLANET.
"WE CAN'T FACE THEM INDIVIDUALLY...

"...THANKFULLY, WE NEED NOT DO SO.
"HALF OUR COMMITTED FORCES COMBINED INTO THE ALMIGHTY UNI-MIND SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT...
"THE TELEPATHS ON THE QUIET COUNCIL WILL DEFEND THEMSELVES AND PROTECT THEIR PEERS...

"PSYCHIC WARFARE ABOVE THE ISLAND, INVISIBLE TO THE WORLD.
"MAGNIFICENT, IF YOU HAVE THE EYES TO SEE IT."
ALL WE NEED IS THE MUTANTS DISTRACTED AND LEADERLESS. A DELAY. CONFUSION.
THE COUNCIL ISN'T ALL OF KRAKOA.
YOU'LL NEED MORE THAN THAT TO CREATE CONFUSION.
"WELL...
"...I DO BELIEVE YOU SAID SOMETHING ABOUT *BURNING?*

"AN ATTACK FLIGHT, OUTFITTED WITH WAR ARMOR FROM OUR EARLIEST DAYS.
"WE'RE A HARDY PEOPLE. WEARING THIS--MORE SO."
SOUND THE E%@E DAMN ALARM!
QUICKLY! TO KRAKOA!
X-MEN...
...TAKE CHARGE.
"HMM. DRUIG, THE X-MEN TURNING UP IS FAR FROM IDEAL."
THE X-MEN HAVE THEIR OWN TRANSPORTATION. THAT MAGIK PERSON, WITH THE BANGS.
IT WASN'T WORTH DEPLOYING OUR STEALTH RESOURCES TO DESTROY THE GATES IN NEW YORK.
HMM. YOU'RE RIGHT. A HANDFUL OF X-MEN ISN'T YOUR PROBLEM.
KRAKOA HAS A POPULATION OF 200,000 MUTANTS WHOSE AVERAGE GIFT IS ANALOGOUS TO MILDLY HALLUCINOGENIC BODY ODOR...


...ON MARS, THERE ARE THE ARAKKII. OVER A MILLION MUTANTS FROM A WAR-TORN EXISTENCE, HARDENED BY CENTURIES OF SIEGE.
AND THERE'RE THE GATES FROM THERE TO HERE.
I DISAGREE ON ALL THREE COUNTS.
ONE, NOT MUTANTS-- DEVIANTS. TWO...
THE GREAT RING, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE ARAKKII.
OKAY. THIS IS--
WHAT IN THE--?
BAM
MEIN GOTT. GET OUT. GET--
FOR STARTERS, THERE'LL BE A LOT LESS THAN A MILLION BY NOW...

IN TRUTH, WHILE YOUR MAP OF ALL THEIR WEAKNESSES AND STRENGTHS WAS FASCINATING, THE KEY FACT IS THE NATURE OF THEIR IMMORTALITY. THEY'RE NOT LIKE US. WE WILL BE REBORN AS LONG AS THE PLANET EARTH EXISTS.
THEIR IMMORTALITY STEMS FROM FIVE MUTANTS, WORKING TOGETHER. HOPE AND HER FOUR FRIENDS.
ADORABLE. SO...
=SNIFF=
GET OUT OF MY DAMN WAY!
"...TIME TO BREAK UP THE BAND.
"WITHOUT THIS 'MUTANT CIRCUIT,' KRAKOA FALLS. WE'VE CREATED THE CHAOS, AND NOW OUR FINEST ASSASSIN PICKS THEM OFF.
"AND THEN, WITH THE QUIET COUNCIL ALL SAFELY LOCKED DOWN IN A TELEPATHIC STUPOR...
"...NO MORE HOPE."

SINISTER
YOU ARE GOOD.
HOW DID YOU FIND ME?
YOU DIDN'T CLEAN THE BLADE. I SMELLED EGG'S BLOOD, NOT YOU.
YOU'RE... JUST NOT THERE.
D'OH.
@#%$!
WELL PLAYED.
BE SEEING YOU.

JEANNIE! GET OVER HERE!
THEY'RE AFTER HOPE AND THE FIVE! THEY KNOW.
"HMPH. IT SEEMS JACK OF KNIVES FAILED. ON THE BRIGHT SIDE, AT LEAST I WON'T HAVE TO PAY THEIR MURDER BONUS."
SECURE THE FIVE.
QUICKLY!
YOU MISSED.
YOU HAD YOUR CHANCE AND BLEW IT.
PATIENCE, MOIRA, PATIENCE. ETERNALS ARE ETERNAL. IF NOTHING ELSE, WE WILL WIN BY EROSION.
IT'S NOT AS IF MY PLANS ONLY CONSISTED OF THIS AFTERNOON...

ARBOR MAGNA.
I... OH. LUCKY I MADE SOME EGGS EARLIER, I GUESS.
WHAT HAPPENED?
THEY WENT FOR MY PEOPLE.
THE @E%#E% ARE GOING TO PAY.
HATE TO SAY IT, BUT GET HANK ON THIS. AND BRAND. CABLE WILL HAVE SOME THINGS TO SAY TOO.
THESE PEOPLE KNOW HOW TO HURT US.
BAMF
KURT! I HEARD A SCREAM FROM MARS. THEN--
IT'S HELL. BRING THEM BACK. WE NEED THEM. BARELY MADE THE LAST GATE BEFORE IT WENT. BRING THEM BACK!
ARAKKO NEEDS LEADERSHIP. I--
WHERE'S MY DAD?

WHAT HAPPENED?
WHAT HAPPENED?!

TEN, NINE, EIGHT...
...SEVEN, SIX...
...FIVE, FOUR...
...THREE, TWO, ONE...

HOW WAS YOUR HOUR?

THE GATES TO EARTH ARE DESTROYED.
MUCH OF THE POWER STRUCTURE IS DESTABILIZED. I LEFT A LITTLE OF MY ARSENAL TO DISTRACT WHOEVER'S LEFT. THEY WON'T INTERFERE DIRECTLY.
I GAZED AT STARS. I KILLED.
URANOS, YOU ARE VERY GOOD--IN EVERY WAY BUT ETHICALLY.
I KNEW I COULD RELY ON YOU.
HMM. THAT TELLS ME YOUR OTHER PLAN FAILED.
YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO LET ME OUT AGAIN.
NO. IT'S NOT THAT BAD. NOT YET.
I HAVE YOUR ARMORY, SO THE HEX CAN BE DEPLOYED. THAT FIRST BEFORE... YOU.

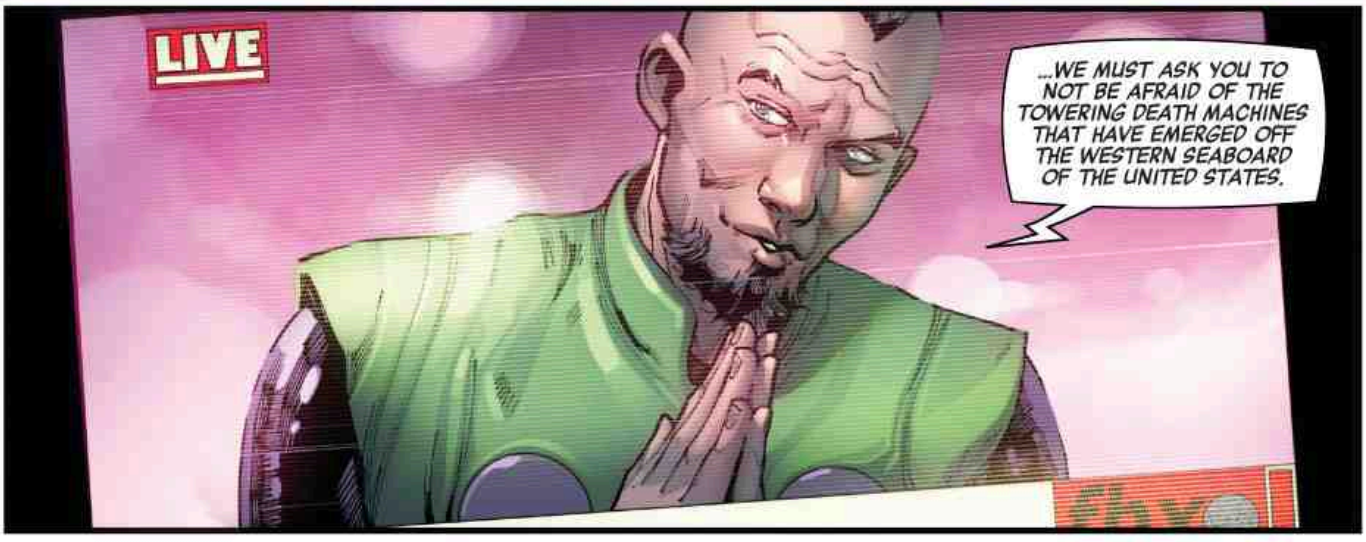
LET ME OUT, BOY. IT WILL SAVE TIME.
I PROMISE I'LL TRY TO SPARE A HEMISPHERE!

DRUIG IS A LICKSPITTLE, AND HE'S TRYING TO SECURE HIS POWER. HE'LL DO ANYTHING TO--
HELL, THERE'S BEEN AN ATTACK ON KRAKOA. AND...WAIT.
I'M GETTING THOSE ENERGY SPIKES AGAIN. CONCENTRATING ON THE WESTERN U.S. SEABOARD...
AND...A MESSAGE...
PEOPLE OF EARTH. I AM DRUIG OF THE ETERNALS.
I AM SPEAKING TO YOU VIA YOUR EXTREMELY IMPRESSIVE HIGH-TECH DEVICES.
TONY...

"...EVERYONE'S GETTING A MESSAGE."
I COULD USE TELEPATHY, BUT WE CONSIDER THAT INTRUSIVE AND CRASS.
IT'S A NOUVEAUX IMMORTAL MOVE. UGH.
AND, YES, I'M TALKING ABOUT THESE "MUTANTS."

THEY'RE A THREAT TO YOU ALL. THEY HAVE OVERSTEPPED THEIR NATURAL BOUNDS AND CLEARLY AIM FOR A DOMINION THAT STRETCHES ACROSS WORLDS AND ETERNITY.
WE APOLOGIZE THAT WE'VE LET THEM GO SO FAR.
BUT REST ASSURED, WE WILL PROTECT YOU. WE SERVE YOU, AS WE HAVE FOR A MILLION YEARS.

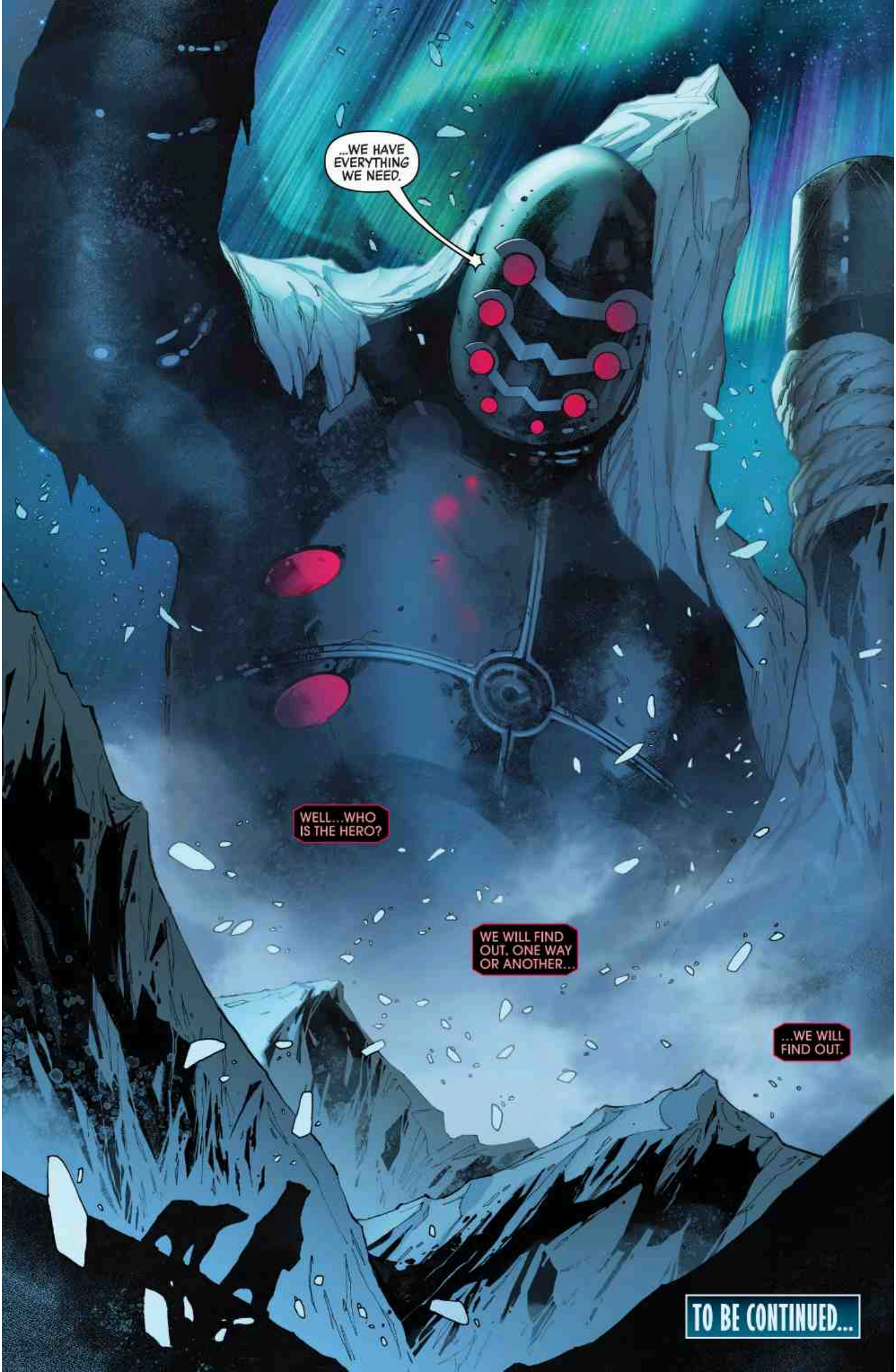
HOWEVER...


LIVE
...WE MUST ASK YOU TO NOT BE AFRAID OF THE TOWERING DEATH MACHINES THAT HAVE EMERGED OFF THE WESTERN SEABOARD OF THE UNITED STATES.

"THEY ARE **NOT** TOWERING DEATH MACHINES. THEY ARE THE HEX, AND THEY ARE **ETERNALS.**
"YES, WE'RE NOT ALL HUMAN-SIZED, BUT REST ASSURED, WHETHER LARGE OR SMALL, WE ARE YOUR PROTECTORS.
"THAT SAID, WE WOULD ADVISE ANYONE IN ANY COASTAL REGIONS TO HEAD INLAND AS SWIFTLY AS THEY CAN.
"IT'S POSSIBLE THIS MAY GET MESSY."

AVENGERS ASSEMBLE!
WE'RE KEEPING SERSI LOCKED UP?
THERE'S SOMETHING SHE HASN'T SAID.
SHE AND HER FRIENDS LEFT THE ETERNALS...
...BUT SHE DIDN'T SAY WHY.
WAIT. GO AHEAD.
I'VE GOT SOME INTRUSION ALARMS...
AFTER THE LAST TIME THE ETERNALS SNUCK IN, I SET UP SOME PRECAUTIONS.
COMING IN USING THE SAME TECH IS A BIT OF AN INSULT. I'M KIND OF A GENIUS.
STEP OUT OF THE REALITY-FRACTAL PRISM WITH YOUR HANDS UP.

WE DID NOT MEAN ANY DISRESPECT. I WOULD HAVE CHANGED MY METHODS, BUT THE GENOCIDAL HOLY WAR OF MY PEERS MADE US ACT WITH HASTE.
I AM AJAK, KEEPER OF THE OLD WAYS. THIS IS MAKKARI, KEEPER OF THE NEW. AND THIS IS AN ANNOYING MUTANT WITH USEFUL TALENTS WHOM WE HAVE GAGGED.
LET ME EXPLAIN.
WE SEE TWO POSSIBILITIES. WE ETERNALS CANNOT BE DEFEATED AS LONG AS THE WORLD EXISTS. THEY WILL KEEP ON COMING...
EVENTUALLY, ALL THAT LIVES WILL BE RENDERED NOTHING BUT DUST.
YEAH, I'M NOT A FAN OF THAT.
OPTION B.
THIS IS A HOLY WAR BORN OF HOLY SCRIPTURE. A GOD CAN REWRITE THE SCRIPTURE AND END THE WAR.
WE SIMPLY HAVE TO BUILD A GOD.
HELP US. HELP US BUILD OUR GOD.
THIS PLAN IS PURE HUBRIS...
...BUT SPEAKING BROADLY, I'M PRO-HUBRIS.
BUT...HOW ON EARTH DO YOU THINK WE'RE GOING TO MAKE A GOD IN A FEW HOURS?
LOOK AROUND YOU, MR. STARK OF THE AVENGERS...


...WE HAVE EVERYTHING WE NEED.
WELL...WHO IS THE HERO?
WE WILL FIND OUT. ONE WAY OR ANOTHER...
...WE WILL FIND OUT.
TO BE CONTINUED...

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JUDGMENT DAY

CHECKLIST

JULY

- ● A.X.E.: EVE OF JUDGMENT #1
- ● A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY #1

AUGUST

- ○ IMMORTAL X-MEN #5
- ○ X-MEN RED #5
- ○ A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY #2
- ○ A.X.E.: DEATH TO THE MUTANTS #1
- ○ X-FORCE #30
- ○ X-MEN #13
- ○ A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY #3
- ○ WOLVERINE #24
- ○ X-FORCE #31
- ○ X-MEN #14

SEPTEMBER

- ○ A.X.E.: DEATH TO THE MUTANTS #2
- ○ IMMORTAL X-MEN #6
- ○ MARAUDERS #6
- ○ WOLVERINE #25
- ○ A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY #4
- ○ X-FORCE #32
- ○ X-MEN RED #6
- ○ A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY #5
- ○ FANTASTIC FOUR #47
- ○ AVENGERS #60
- ○ A.X.E.: AVENGERS #1
- ○ AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #10

OCTOBER

- ○ A.X.E.: DEATH TO THE MUTANTS #3
- ○ A.X.E.: X-MEN #1
- ○ A.X.E.: IRON FIST #1
- ○ A.X.E.: STARFOX #1
- ○ CAPTAIN MARVEL #42
- ○ FANTASTIC FOUR #48
- ○ IMMORTAL X-MEN #7
- ○ X-FORCE #33
- ○ X-MEN RED #7
- ○ A.X.E.: ETERNALS #1
- ○ LEGION OF X #6
- ○ A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY #6

NOVEMBER

- ○ A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY OMEGA #1

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THE WICKED WILL BE PUT TO DEATH!

As the world shakes, an unlikely group of heroes and less-than-heroes gather to find a peaceful solution. Sadly, the best laid plans of man, mutant and Eternal oft go awry...

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